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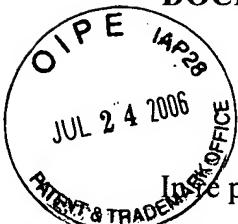
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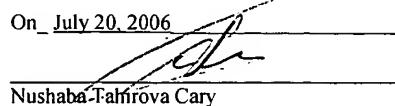
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PROCESSING IMAGE BASED UPON IMAGE CHARACTERISTICS**

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AMENDMENT

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Please enter the following changes in the above-referenced application in response to the Office Action mailed on April 24, 2006:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and an annotated sheet showing changes

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on 8 of this paper.

Remarks/Conclusion begins on page 15 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 22 of this paper.